

FRIDAY NIGHT FACTS

OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES



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Free books!

A representative from your not-for-profit organization is invited to select used books for free following the close of the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Book Sale. The date of this wonderful opportunity is **Monday, March 19th, from 8 AM to 2 PM**. They must clear most of their shelves to accommodate newly arrived books, and would like to invite you to bring your bags and boxes and take what you wish free of charge. Although inventory after a sale is somewhat limited, there are categories that usually have many books remaining. You may choose to select items to give to your clients, or you may wish to take items to use for a fundraiser. They will not limit the quantity you take, but ask that you be considerate of other non-profits making selections that day. The IMCPL Book Sale is located at the Library Services Center, 2450 North Meridian Street in Indianapolis. The entrance to their parking lot is located on 24th street between Meridian and Illinois Streets. When you arrive, you will be asked to sign in as the representative of your organization. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Stephenson at 317-275-4045.



Share our Strength, the nation's leading organization working to end childhood hunger in America, has launched Sharing Witness, a new online community that engages civic, business, philanthropic, and community leaders to share thoughts, opinions, ideas and experiences on topics such as business and social entrepreneurship, education and youth, health and welfare, and hunger and poverty. To learn more about this program, visit <http://www.sharingwitness.org>

Kids...Get out your cameras!

During the week of Earth Day (April 22-April 29), students in grades 5-8 are invited to take a photograph of something that is "changing" in their local environments. It can be a change occurring in the backyard, outside the school, in a local park, at home or in the community. Students are then asked to research and write a scientific explanation (400 words or less) for their observation. The top winners will receive cash prizes. **The deadline for entries is May 9th**. For more information, go to <http://www.strategies.org/EarthDayPhoto>



Grant Opportunity 1



Summary: The Family and Youth Services Bureau is accepting applications to provide support to public and private entities for the development and implementation of the Community-Based Abstinence Education (CBAE) program. The purpose of these programs is to educate young people and create an environment within communities that supports teen decisions to postpone sexual activity until marriage. Acceptable applications will be designed to provide abstinence-until-marriage education as defined by Section 510(b)(2) of the Title V Social Security Act, for adolescents aged 12 through 18.

Eligibility Requirements: Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); Independent school districts; State governments; For profit organizations other than small businesses; Private institutions of higher education; Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); Small businesses; Special district governments; City or township governments; Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; County governments; and Faith-Based Organizations.

Due Date: April 23, 2007

Award Amount: The anticipated number of awards is 50-60, with funding ranges between \$250,000 and \$600,000 depending upon the availability of funds and enactment for the Fiscal Year 2007 program appropriation.

Contact Information: www.grants.gov (funding opportunity # HHS-2007-ACF-ACYF-AE-0099).

Grant Opportunity 2

SUMMARY: USDA's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives would like to share with you a funding opportunity available through the Agricultural Marketing Service. The USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) announces funding of approximately \$1 million in competitive grant funds for fiscal year 2007 through the Farmers Market Promotion Program. The grants are targeted to help improve and expand domestic farmers markets, roadside stands, community-supported agriculture programs and other direct producer-to-consumer market opportunities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Among the organizations eligible for funding are nonprofit organizations, including faith-based and community groups

DUE DATE: April 13, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: The maximum award per proposal is \$75,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Errol Bragg, 202-720-8317, email USDAFMPP@usda.gov.
Website: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/FMPP>



The Nina Scholars (Nina Mason Pulliam Legacy Scholars) program is dedicated to providing educational opportunities for individuals who would not normally receive traditional academic scholarships, and whose personal commitments and financial circumstances would preclude their attendance without substantial, long-term scholarship support. This program supports incoming college freshmen who have been raised in the child welfare system and are responsible for their own financial support, college-age youth and adults with disabilities, and returning students older than 25 who have dependent children. The Nina Scholars program provides up to 6 years of support, including: Indiana resident tuition and fees; books and supplies; annual living allowance of \$2,500; coordinated services and support through the school; group or "cohort" support; and tutorial assistance. The scholarship locations are IUPUI and Ivy Tech Community College, Indianapolis Campus. For more information, visit <http://www.ninapulliamtrust.org/html/scholars.htm>

The Indiana Minority AIDS Coalition (IMAC) in partnership with the Ebenezer Foundation Bridging the Gap Project will host a Town Hall Meeting on Black AIDS Awareness. The meeting will feature a panel of experts from the fields of medical, legal, academic, social services and community organizations.

It's A "We" Thing – A Community Dialogue on HIV/AIDS and African Americans
Thursday, March 22nd from 6 to 8 PM
Ebenezer Baptist Church Auditorium
1901 N. Harding Avenue, Indianapolis

Admission is free, however your RSVP will help to insure adequate levels of materials are available. For more information, please email David Johnson at david@imacindiana.org or call 317-610-3328.

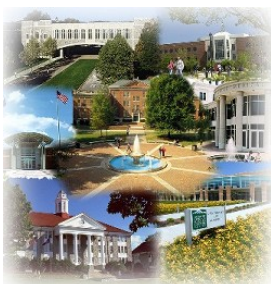
On April 27, 2007, Lilly will be hosting StatFest, a one-day conference aimed at encouraging under-represented minorities to consider careers and graduate studies in the statistical sciences. This event is the American Statistical Association's key activity for increasing ethnic diversity in the field of statistics.

A great agenda is planned for the conference. Dynamic role models in statistics have agreed to come and share information about statistics-related careers in government, academia, and industry. In addition, there will be sessions on success in graduate school, information on graduate programs, and internship opportunities.

Talented minority students (graduate or undergraduate) with quantitative skills, regardless of major, are welcome to participate.

The theme for the conference is "Careers in Statistics: The Best Kept Secret." Their goal is to increase awareness of the tremendous opportunities available in this discipline, and ultimately increase the numbers of African-Americans entering the field.

If you have family members or friends who could potentially benefit from participating in the conference, please let them know about this opportunity. Conference registration is FREE. And FREE overnight lodging is available for students who need to travel to participate in the conference. Speaker bio's and the conference agenda may be found at www.statfest.com. Please feel free to contact Brian Millen at 317-277-7667, with any questions about the conference. Priority registration ends **March 30, 2007**.



Parent Involvement: The Bridge between Early Childhood and Literacy

April 12

9 AM to 4 PM (registration begins at 8:30)
West Lafayette Public Library, 208 W. Columbia, West Lafayette, IN

April 13

9 AM to 4 PM (registration begins at 8:30)
Holiday Inn, 2480 Jonathan Moore Pike, Columbus, IN

Cost: \$40, includes breakfast

Motivating Parents to Help Their Children

April 16 Learning Generation Initiative, 842 N. Detroit St, Lagrange, IN

April 17 East Chicago Marina, 3301 Aldis Street, East Chicago, IN

April 19 Indiana University Kokomo, 2300 S. Washington St, Kokomo, IN

April 23 The Jasper Inn, Highway 231 South, Jasper, IN

April 24 Ivy Tech Community College Wabash Valley, 7999 South US Highway 41, Terre Haute, IN

April 26 Marten House Hotel & Lilly Conference Center, 1801 West 86th Street, Indianapolis, IN
9 AM to 4 PM (registration begins at 8:30)

Cost: \$40, includes breakfast

For more information on the above listed training events, call 1-800-343-7060 or register on line at www.iyi.org/training_registration

Youth/Adult Partnerships: "Discover the Magic"

April 19 Boone County REMC, 1207 Indianapolis Avenue, Lebanon, IN
6 PM to 8:30 PM

Cost: \$25.00

May 8 United Way of Central Indiana, 3901 N. Meridian St, RCI Room, Indianapolis, IN
9 AM to 11:30 AM

Cost: \$25.00

For more information on the "Discover the Magic" training events, contact Debi Lee at 317-921-1257, email debi.lee@uwci.org

Nonprofit Collaboration

April 17 West End 4-H Bldg, County Fairgrounds, RR 2 Box 38x, Linton, IN
9 AM to 12 Noon

Cost: \$25

Supervising Volunteers (Custom Workshop)

April 24 City Hall-Council Chambers, 401 N. Morton St, Bloomington, IN
9:45 AM to 1 PM

Cost: \$15

Moving from Good to Great

April 26 Catholic Center Room, Celebration Hall, 4200 N. Kentucky Ave, Evansville, IN
11:15 AM to 2 PM

Cost: \$10 includes lunch

For more information about these workshops, contact June Miller at 812-422-4100 or email south@inrn.org

Volunteer Trends, Recruitment and General Expectations

April 11 United Way of Bartholomew County, 1531 13th Street, Suite 1100, Columbus, IN
9 AM to 12 noon

Cost: Information not available

For more information about this workshop, contact Lesley Devine at 765-288-5586 or email east@inrn.org